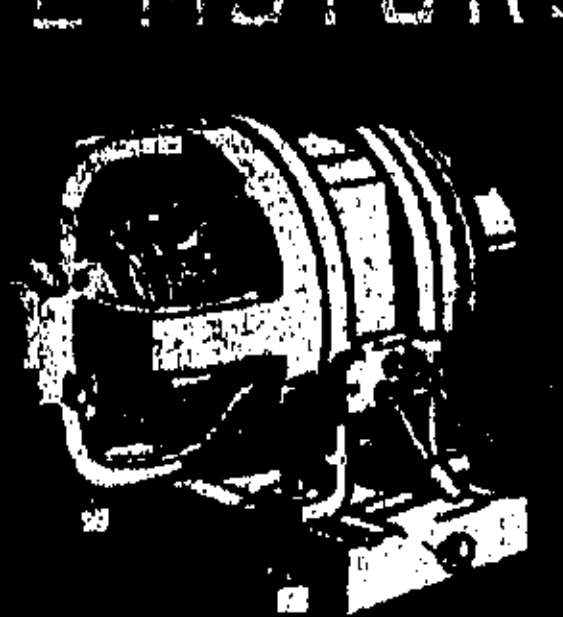


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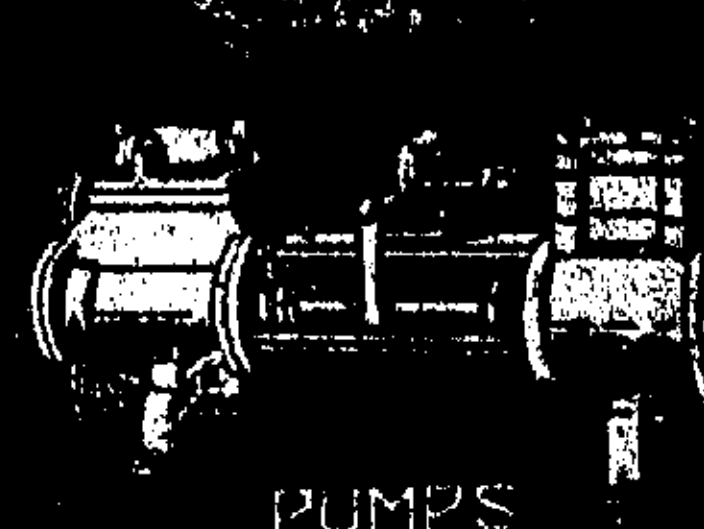
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DISASTROUS SHANGHAI FIRE.

SIX SILK GODOWNS DESTROYED.

Millions of Taels Damage.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, March 11.
Early this morning a fire broke out, and is still in progress, which destroyed seven silk godowns. Another is doomed.
The Fire Brigade estimates the loss at seven million taels, whilst the Insurance Companies estimate it at ten million.
No lives were lost, but there were many narrow escapes owing to the falling walls.
The fire has caused the biggest money loss in the history of Shanghai. Two firemen were hurt.
The silk market is relieved, and better prices are quoted to-day.

SHANGHAI LAWYER IN TROUBLE.

A Charge of Embezzlement.

Shanghai, March 11.
Mr. Earl Rose, American attorney, has been disbarred from the U.S. Court for misconduct. A warrant has been issued against him for embezzlement.
Rose is not here. He is evidently en route to Japan.

SHANGHAI FAMINE FUNDS.

Shanghai, March 11.
Three-quarters of a million taels were subscribed for famine relief at the mass meeting. Rain spoiled the attendance.

CHINESE MINT.

Shanghai, March 11.
The Chinese Banking Association announces that a million has been over-subscribed for the Mint.

A SHANGHAI TRIAL.

Shanghai, March 11.
The Gallagher-Rea trial takes place to-day.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

ANGLO-PERSIAN OIL VOTE.

Objections Raised in Parliament.

London, March 11.
In the House of Commons, on the Colonial Office Supplementary Vote, there was some discussion on the estimate of £15,000 for payment to the Anglo-Persian Oil Company under an agreement between the British and Australian Governments and the Company with regard to prospecting for petroliferous deposits in Papua, under which the British Government's liability is limited to £50,000.

Major the Hon. W. G. A. Ormsby-Gore, Lord Robert Cecil and others objected to the vote on the ground that it was financing a private Company and that the agreement had never been submitted to Parliament.

Colonel Amery, replying, said the Anglo-Persian Company were simply lending experts at cost price, not for any benefit to itself. If there was oil, the Australian and British Governments were going to develop it. He emphasised that the expenditure might be financially remunerative and strategically valuable. The Admiralty regarded the possession of oil resources in the Pacific as most important.

A motion by Lieut. Col. the Hon. W. A. Guinness asking for the production of all agreements before the House committed itself was rejected by 168 votes to 63.

Commander Bellairs urged the Government to bring the question before the Imperial Conference in order that it might be thoroughly thrashed out.

The vote was agreed to.

THE QUEEN AT OXFORD.

Highest Degree Conferred upon Her Majesty.

London, March 11.
Her Majesty the Queen, accompanied by Princess Mary, visited Oxford and received the degree of Doctor of Civil Law in the presence of a large and distinguished gathering in the Sheldonian Theatre. The Chancellor said that this was the first time the Queen of England had received an honorary degree of Oxford University, and he paid a tribute to the example of well-doing which the Queen had set the nation. He read a message from the Queen saying that she valued the honour not only because it was the highest the University could confer, but because it enabled her to testify publicly her interest in the cause of the education of women.

AUSTRIA TO-DAY.

"Neither a Parasite Nor a Corpse."

London, March 12.
That Austria is neither a parasite nor a corpse was one of the statements of the Austrian Chancellor on his arrival in London to-night. He declared that the country was sorely mangled by the Peace Treaty, but hopes to return with the promise of a little assistance. Then Austria would be able to work full steam and vindicate her old position.

GERMAN GOVERNMENT ATTACKED.

Sharp Retort to Herr Stinnes.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, March 11.
The discussion of the London Conference in the Reichstag Foreign Affairs Committee was strictly private, but, according to certain privileged newspapers, the feature of to-day's proceedings was a violent attack on the aimlessness of the Government's foreign policy by Herr Hugo Stinnes, who is one of the dominant figures in modern Germany.

Dr. von Simons is reported as replying thereto, saying that though he would gladly accept Herr Stinnes' advice, he was not one of his junior clerks.

REDUCING WAGES ON AMERICAN RAILWAYS.

New York, March 11.

Practically all the large Western railways are now following the recent lead of the Eastern lines in reducing wages of the unskilled workers, foreshadowing an early reduction of the skilled workers' wages.

A ROYAL BETROTHAL.

Copenhagen, March 11.

The betrothal is announced of Princess Margaret (daughter of Prince Waldemar, uncle of the King) and Prince Rene of Bourbon, brother of the Duke of Parma.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE ARMY ESTIMATES.

London, March 11.

The Army Estimates for 1921-2 provide for an establishment of 341,000 men and a net expenditure of £106,000,000, including £28,500,000 for troops in the Middle East and £8,000,000 for terminal war charges. The net provision apart from the Middle East is thus £69,000,000 which, allowing for the rise in prices, is about equivalent to the 1914 provision despite higher numbers. The sum of nearly £7,000,000 is asked for to cover excess expenditure of 1919-20.

The £28,500,000 for the Middle East covers the average strength of 16,700 British and 41,000 Indian troops. Any reduction in this must depend on factors which Mr. Churchill is now investigating. The total of 341,000 men expected, fell during the financial year to 235,000, including Colonial and Indian troops serving outside of India.

GERMAN REPARATIONS RECOVERY BILL.

London, March 11.

The German Reparations Recovery Bill, providing for the application of part of the purchase price of imported German goods towards discharging Germany's obligations under the Treaty of Versailles, was introduced in the House of Commons by Mr. Chamberlain, who hoped it would be seconded on Monday and pass all stages as rapidly as possible.

RED RUSSIA.

London, March 11.

Although the reported capture of Petrograd is, apparently premature, it seems the Reds there and in the district are hard pressed. According to a Helsingfors message Kronstadt has been bombarded from south of the Gulf of Finland and the railway between Petrograd and Krasnayagorsk is cut.

THE NEAR EAST.

London, March 11.

The Allies will present their proposals to the Turks and Greeks on 13th March. A Franco-Turkish agreement has been reached whereunder the French will evacuate Cilicia.

KOWLOON MOTOR BUS SERVICE.

Tenders Now Invited.

The time when Kowloon will have its public motor bus service is drawing nearer. In to-day's *Gazette* it is notified that tenders will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until noon on Friday, 8th April, for a licence for the exclusive maintenance of a public motor service in Kowloon and New Kowloon in accordance with regulations to be made by the Governor in Council. It is announced that the licence shall be issued subject to the said regulations and to all regulations made by the Governor in Council from time to time. Subject to the said regulations the term of the licence shall be four years from the time which the tenderer whose tender is accepted states in his tender that he is prepared to commence such service.

The Government will be prepared to grant to the licensee, free of rent, the use of an area of land suitable for garage, offices, workshops, etc., near one of the lines of traffic.
The licensee would have to erect such buildings as may be required for the carrying out of his contract, of a design and

character to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works. He would have to maintain and repair these buildings and any existing buildings on the area for the period of his contract to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works and to hand over the latter buildings to the Government at the completion of his contract. Subject to his clearing the site to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works he would be at liberty to remove and buildings erected by him.
A more detailed agreement on the above lines to be signed when final arrangements are made.

HONGKONG FINANCES.

The Hongkong Treasury issues the following financial statement for the month of September 1920:

Balance of Assets and Liabilities on 31st October, 1920	\$5,668,075.36
Revenue from 1st to 30th November, 1920	1,476,227.11
Expenditure from 1st to 30th November, 1920	7,144,342.47
Balance on 1st December, 1920	4,413,890.00
Balance on 1st January, 1921	4,413,890.00

GERMAN CHARGED.

Defying Skipper's Authority.

A German, named Jorgensen, who states that he is a member of the German Foreign Office, and is one of those being repatriated from Vladivostok along with members of other nationalities from Vladivostok by the Gujerat, now lying in the Harbour was to-day brought before the Police Court, charged by the Captain of the transport with using threatening language with intent to assault, or alternately, with using abusive language whereby a breach of the peace might have been occasioned.

The master of the Gujerat, Capt. Mercer, in evidence stated that at 2.30 yesterday morning the accused told him on board the steamer that he did not recognise his authority. The altercation arose from the question of passage fare, the accused paid only 185 yen at Vladivostok, which was less than that paid for a third class passage to Trieste on board the steamer, which was 200 yen, and still much less than that paid for a first class berth, which is 300 yen. The defendant, in committing the alleged offence, used the words: "Who the hell are you? I don't recognise the authority of the Captain of the ship. I don't recognise the German Captain appointed by the Red Cross to take command of the German troops on board. I will do for you when we get to Sabang."

Witness told the Court that on hearing the threat uttered by the accused he repeated the man's words "Oh, you will do for me, will you? I will see to it, you may be sure." Witness went ashore and reported to the office of the Consul for the Netherlands, but this official refused to have anything to do with the matter. Witness then went to the Marine Magistrate by whom the case was referred to the Central Police Station. Hitherto, the conduct of the various detachments on board, Russians, Rumanians, Italians, etc., who comprised the complement on board, had been very good, and his undertaking to take the vessel without any untoward incident to Trieste was a very grave one, which would be rendered more serious by the presence of such characters as the accused on board.

In explaining the question of the fare which formed the subject of the altercation, witness stated that the defendant, who possessed only a third class fare, and that not fully paid for, was in the habit of dining and making his stay on board the vessel in the same way that a privileged first class passenger would. When the defendant was sent for, he told witness that he was a member of the German Foreign Office, and that the fare that had been paid for him was certainly a mistake. It made no difference in his position if the fare had been paid to the extent of 185 yen, or, for that matter, \$1,000, or more. All he knew was that the question of fare was for him an impersonal one. It was not paid for by the Red Cross Captain, but was paid for him by some one through whose action the mistake arose. When coming out East he had never travelled lower than first class. The fare was certainly good at least as far as Sabang, where he had friends. In Hongkong he had business connections with a bank who could certainly put matters right in his case. As for the language which he was alleged to have used he disputed the accusation that he used the word "hell". He did not use that word but some other. He did not remember having uttered the threat of "doing the Captain in."

His Worship, after a lengthy discussion, said he did not feel justified in view of the circumstances, in sending the man to gaol. In view of the fact that the Ordinance prevented any Germans from being allowed at large in Hongkong, the defendant would be committed to custody when the vessel reached Sabang.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

The official catalogue of the Spanish Exhibition at Burlington House contains a howler which deserves to go down to posterity as a classic. The picture of No. 369 is described as "The Courts of Justice, Paris." We look at it and see, not a lordly pile of buildings, but a youth in Grecian dress looking, critically at three ladies with very few clothes. It is "The Judgment of Paris"—a very different thing.

Unusual interest attaches to the engagement of Major Reginald S. Lucy to Mary, widow of Captain A. L. Stretton, 1st South Lancashire Regiment, for the bridegroom descends from Sir Thomas Lucy, whom Shakespeare satirised as "Justice Shallow" in the "Merry Wives." Sir Thomas convicted the playwright of deer stealing (not from his own park at Charlcoate, as is so often stated but from the adjacent one of Fulbrook, long ago disparked), but Shakespeare's satire was undeserved, the Elizabethan knight been a worthy soul. Major Lucy has another historic family connection, for his mother, the late Mrs. E. B. Lucy, of Torquay, was co-heiress of the Standishes of Duxbury, Lancashire, one of whom was Myles Standish who sailed in the Mayflower and is immortalised by Longfellow.

One of the many interesting points of Lady Rhonda's petition to be summoned the House of Lords is the possibility of husband and wife being fellow legislators in the same Chamber. Should she prove successful remarks a writer in a London journal, it is obvious that each of the peeresses in their own right whose titles are on the Imperial roll will join the pioneer on the scarlet benches. In all there are eighteen ladies now enjoying titles which, if they were held by men, would carry with them seats in the House of Lords. Of these three are the wives of members of that assembly, while the holder of a Scottish peerage is the wife of the Duke of Norfolk. The Countess of Powis would sit as Baroness Darcy de Knayth, the Countess of Yarborough as Baroness Fauconberg and Conyers, and the Countess of Dartrey as Baroness de Res. Lord and Lady Astor sit in different Houses at present, and there has only been one attempt by both husband and wife to sit in the Commons—the late Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Anderson (Miss Mary Macarthur, each of whom was defeated at the General Election).

LICENSING BOARD.

Election of a J.P.

It is notified that an Election by the Justices of the Peace of a Justice of the Peace to serve on the Licensing Board, during the absence of Mr. Thomas Frederick Hough, will take place in the Office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court on Tuesday, 22nd March, commencing at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Nominations must be personally handed to Mr. G. N. Orme (Police Magistrate) by the candidate or by his nominator or seconder not later than 4 o'clock on Wednesday, 16th March.

The only person entitled to vote at the Election are Justices of the Peace.

Voting will commence at 4 p.m. and continue until 5.30 p.m. when the ballot-box will be closed.

NEWSPAPER PRICE INCREASES.

The Newspaper World states that over 600 newspapers and periodicals notified increase of price during 1920.

Steps would have been arranged for by the owners of the vessel to send him by another steamer. In the meantime he would be held in the custody of the Police.



B. ROTHED.

Prince Margaret of Denmark, whose betrothal to Prince Rene of Bourbon is announced in to-day's cables.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

TIN AND RUBBER.

Singapore, Mar. 11.
Singapore share market is slack, but the general tone is inclined to be reactionary. This applies to both tins and rubbers.

HOME FOOTBALL.

Singapore, Mar. 11.
The English Cup semi-final draw is as follows:
Tottenham Hotspur versus Hull or Preston at Sheffield.
Cardiff versus Wolverhampton Wanderers at Liverpool.
The matches are to be played off on Saturday, 19th inst.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2s. 3½d.

LIGHTING-UP TIME.

Lighting-up time to-day is 6.32 p.m.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The annual meeting of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd. will be held on Thursday, March 24—Page 4.

The firms of Messrs. Fook Lee & Co. and the Hongkong Branch of Thos. W. Simmons & Co. have been amalgamated.—Page 4.

The s.s. Quelimane with passenger accommodation is making a special trip to Europe, sailing March 21st.—Page 4.

Consignees interested in the Samarang Maru should consult the notice on Page 5.

Rex Beach's famous story "The Silver Horde" is being screened at the Coronet, during the week-end.—Page 12.

Banvard's Musical Comedy Co. is repeating "Coming Down" this evening.—Page 4.

The attraction at the Hongkong Theatre is the film entitled "Pretty Mrs. Smith"—Page 5.

A Special General combined meeting of the Marine Engineers' Guild of China and the China Coast Officers' Guild Hongkong is being held on Tuesday evening next.—Page 4.

Luxury Illustrations for the 1921-22 season of the British Overseas Airways Corporation.—Page 7.

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I have much pleasure in announcing that rooms for the long-planned hostel for Chinese women and girls have at last been secured. The top floor of this building has been taken over for the purpose. There have been during the past two years various requests for such accommodation for Chinese girls and women passing through

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- 18715 Happy—One Step Smith's Orchestra
- Let the Rest of the World go By—Waltz—
Ferera & Franchini
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HONGKONG ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of members of the Hongkong St. George's Society was held yesterday at the City Hall.

The President, Mr. G. C. Moxon, was in the chair, and with him were Mr. L. N. Leefe (Vice-President), Mr. Justice Gompertz (Past President), Mr. C. Blaker (Hon. Secretary), Mr. R. A. Green (Hon. Treasurer) and the following members of Committee: Messrs. G. S. Archbutt, L. G. Bird, D.S.O., A. E. Crappell, W. A. Dowley, G. T. Edkins, J. W. Graham, R. Hancock, F. A. Wells, R. J. Wilton, H. P. Winslow. There was a good attendance of members.

The Secretary read the notice of the meeting, after which the Chairman said:

Gentlemen,—As you have had the Accounts for 1920 in your hands for some days, I will, with your permission, take them as read.

You will notice that we have now a balance in hand of \$6,752.34. All in Cash. The incoming Committee will no doubt consider the wisest and safest method of investing this sum to produce an annual revenue for the benefit of the Society.

The Ball account for Twelfth Night, 1920, exactly balances, and calls for no comment.

The account for the Ball held on Twelfth Night, 1921, does not appear, of course, in the accounts for last year, but it may be of interest to you to hear that it has been practically closed. It will be exactly balanced.

The entrance fees during the past year amounted to \$550, and in this connection I would mention we started the year with:

Nine (9) Life members and 396 ordinary members.

During the year 110 new members joined and 11 members left the Colony.

I have to record with deep regret the death of 3 members since our last general meeting, viz.—Mr. D. K. Moss, Mr. J. H. Gardiner, Mr. W. R. Noble, and I feel sure you will join in an expression of sympathy to their relatives.

At the moment our members total 501, which I trust you will consider shows that the Society is in a healthy condition.

Touching on the payment side of the accounts, you will notice that assistance was given to three men and one woman of English race, all cases having been carefully considered before action was taken.

I trust you will approve of the decision of your Committee to accord a donation of \$1,000 to be equally divided between H. M. Forces in the Army and Navy serving in Hongkong.

We all owe so much to those gallant men, who made our very existence possible, that I feel sure such distribution of a portion of our funds will meet with your unanimous sanction. (Applause).

As usual we have made our annual subscription to the Royal Society of St. George in London, now entering its 26th year, and as my predecessor reminded you, having as its President our popular and much loved Prince of Wales.

I do not think the accounts call for further comment, except to say that it is pleasant to know that we can now be of some slight assistance to distressed or deserving cases, where Englishmen or women are involved.

With regard to local celebrations held under the auspices of this Society, I have to recall a most successful Smoking Concert in the City Hall on the 11th November, and in this connection I should be ungrateful if I did not specially thank Mr. Dowley, Mr. Grimble, and their able assistants, who did so much to produce a most cheerful and enjoyable evening. (Applause).

The usual Ball was held in the City Hall on the 6th January last. It was, if possible, more fully attended than its predecessors, and was voted by all present as an unqualified success.

The beauty of the decorations under the able supervision of Colonel L. G. Bird and his Committee, and the general excellence of all arrangements made by the various sub-committees, most certainly evoked general admiration and praise.

Entirely "off my own bat" and on my own responsibility, may I be permitted to add a few words in this connection.

I have often felt myself, and I have little doubt others have felt with me that much as we desire

to do honour to this Society and to carry out with dignity any entertainments for which we may be responsible, that the time has come to call a halt to the increasing luxury and splendour which surround them. (Applause).

The world is in a horrid mess, and I venture to say that there is no doubt that a better use could be found for our spare monies than unnecessarily lavish entertainments. (Applause). I say this with some trepidation, but I feel constrained to say it. I do not think this, or kindred societies, can be accused of niggardiness in the past, nor have I any fear of any such criticism in the future. There is, however, no doubt that a steady effort to outvie in excellence the preceding year's entertainments cannot well go on forever, especially under the circumstances that surround us to-day, and I therefore greatly daring venture to suggest a halt.

It may interest you to know that the Royal Society of St. George in London celebrated the 23rd April last by a Festival Dinner at the Connaught Rooms.

Mr. Rudyard Kipling was Chairman, and among the many able speakers were two well known to us in Hongkong, Vice-Admiral Sir Frederick Tudor, and Colonel John Ward. The Roast Beef of Old England was a fine Sussex baron, and the Roses were all Colchester grown.

An excellent account of the whole affair and its splendid oratory can be read in the Journal of this Society, "The English Race," a magazine I hope you will all subscribe to, and make a point of reading. It will do you good, believe me.

There were held in England, in the Empire generally, many other celebrations on St. George's Day, and all of them under the auspices of the Parent Society of St. George, or under those of some local Society, such as our own.

I have two matters to which I would refer before I sit down if you will bear with me.

Firstly, I would offer our late President, Sir Newton Stabb, on behalf of this Society our most hearty congratulations on the well deserved honour that he has received from His Majesty the King, and to specially mark your views I would request our Secretary to convey to Sir Newton your acclamation as to this point. If there is no dissentient voice I will cause that to be done. (Applause).

Secondly, I should like to say how greatly I have enjoyed, and how much I have appreciated the honour of acting as your President for the past few months. As I am shortly leaving the Colony for an indefinite period, in order to keep my memory green, if only for a few months, I have arranged with my friend Chief Johnstone of the St. Andrew's Society that there shall be presented on our joint account a Challenge Trophy to be played for twice a year on the Fanling Golf Course by representative teams of the two Societies. The details will be published in due course by the respective Secretaries, and I can only wish you the best of luck and shall hope to hear you have whacked our Scottish friends very thoroughly at their own particular game. (Laughter and applause).

As a portion of the business of this meeting is to consider the manner in which next St. George's Day is to be celebrated, I shall be glad if members will make suggestions for the guidance of the incoming Committee. Personally, the weather being so unfavourable in this Colony in April that I cannot help thinking that beyond the sending of the customary telegrams to other Branches and the donation of a sum to the Director of Education in Hongkong as last year, the day might remain unmarked by any public entertainment or function. This swan song of mine would be incomplete if I did not render publicly my hearty thanks to our sweet tempered and able Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. Blaker, and also to Mr. R. A. Green, our hard working Hon. Treasurer. It is no perfunctory compliment when I say the Society owes much to these two gentlemen, and as to myself I cannot say how much I appreciate all their work and assistance, and I might say the same of Mr. L. N. Leefe, our Vice-President.

I now beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts as presented, and when this has been duly seconded I will try to answer any questions it may be your pleasure to put, to the best of my ability. Seconded? Major Wakefield seconded and the motion was carried.

Election of Officers.

The Chairman proposed that Mr. G. T. Edkins be President for the ensuing year. Mr. Edkins needed no introduction. He had been here a very long time, was head of a very big house and would make a most excellent and worthy President for the Society.

Mr. H. W. Bird seconded and the motion was carried.

Mr. Edkins returning thanks expressed appreciation of the honour and dignity of the post, and the difficulty of following the very able and popular Presidents who had gone before him. He would do his best to carry on in a manner that would accord with the dignity of the Society.

The Chairman proposed Mr. R. H. B. Hancock as Vice-President, dwelling on the valuable service he could give in any athletic enterprise the Society undertook.

Mr. F. C. Hall seconded and the motion was carried.

Mr. Hancock returned thanks. Mr. R. A. Green consented to act again as Hon. Treasurer and was unanimously re-appointed.

Mr. Blaker, Hon. Secretary, being about to leave for home, Mr. A. H. K. Cobb accepted that position.

The ballot for Committee resulted in the election of Messrs. D. G. M. Bernard, H. W. Bird, T. H. G. Brayfield, L. G. Bird, A. E. Crappell, F. C. Hall, F. A. Wells, R. J. Wilton, H. P. Winslow, E. A. M. Williams, W. J. Eldridge and E. Cock.

Next St. George's Day.

The Chairman invited suggestions as to the form the celebration of next St. George's Day, April 23rd, should take. The weather at that time of the year was so uncertain it was very difficult to know what form the celebration should take. Of course telegrams would be sent as usual; and he thought it advisable that they should authorise the incoming committee to again make some donation to the Educational Department for a prize essay on something connected with England. Last year they gave \$250 with a view to encouraging the youth of Hongkong to write an essay on England or something connected with England. It was one of Mr. Dowley's suggestions. If no one objected the donation would be made again this year.

There was no objection. Mr. V. C. Labrum suggested that something be done on St. George's Day to help Earl Haig's Fund for Disabled Soldiers.

The Chairman mentioned a suggestion from Mr. Grimshaw that the Society should contribute \$1,000 to the Warriors' Day Fund, which was the same thing.

The suggestions were noted for the incoming committee.

Concluding the meeting the Chairman thanked the members and wished them a very prosperous and very successful year. Mr. Edkins said before the meeting concluded he felt sure it was the wish of those present that he should convey to the retiring President and Vice-President their good wishes on their departure for home. They had taken a great deal of interest in both the social and business activities of the Society and their going would leave gaps which it would be very hard to fill. He hoped that in the course of time they would see them again.

The Chairman having briefly replied, the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the outgoing Committee for their work during the year, proposed by Mr. E. F. Aucott and seconded by Mr. J. Hooper.

LAWN TENNIS.

The following were the results of the matches in the lawn tennis tournaments played yesterday:

Open Championship Singles.—W. E. Crocker beat L. Nelson, 6-4, 8-6, 6-4. S. H. Ismail against G. W. Sewell walk-over. Wong Po Keung beat Surg. Lt. H. Morrison. S. A. Rumjahn beat K. W. Lane, 6-3, 6-4, 7-5. The match between J. B. Peoman and Comdr. G. H. Brady will be finished to-day.

Open Doubles Championship.—J. R. Wood and G. R. Bayer beat A. H. Crook and A. D. Ball, 4-6, 7-5, 8-6, 6-3.

Handicap Singles "A".—G. W. Sewell beat H. W. Sassoon, 6-1, 7-5.

Men's Handicap Doubles.—Major C. Willson and Lieut. Col. F. J. Bowen beat N. L. Smith and Capt. J. E. Warner, 6-3, 6-4.

F. A. Dinsdale and C. O. Stark beat Lieut. C. J. Larkoon and Capt. D. H. Wahl, 5-7, 7-5, 6-3.

Mixed Doubles Handicap.—Mjr. J. B. Lloyd and Mrs. Lloyd beat A. D. Humphreys and Mrs. Armstrong, walk-over.

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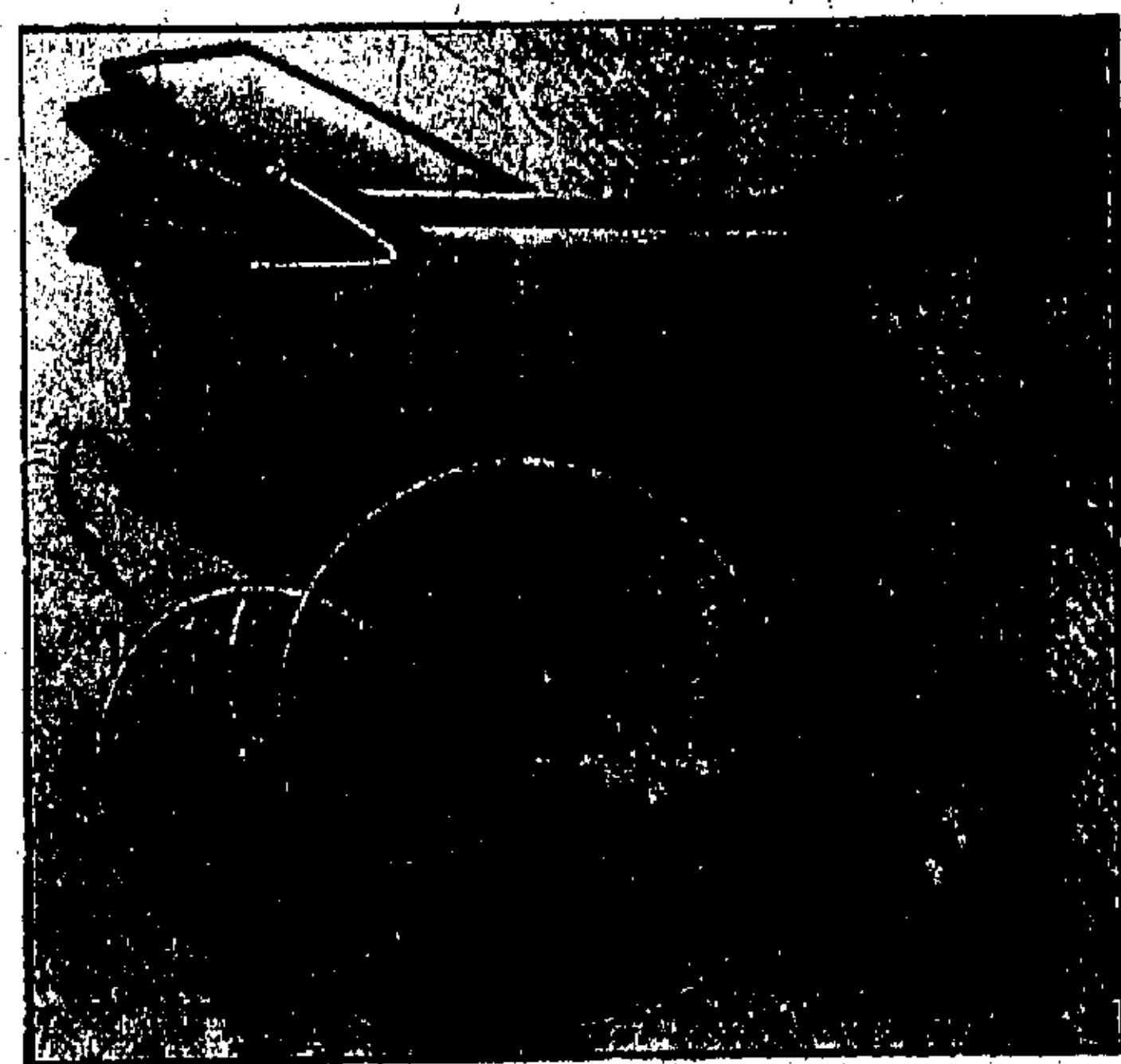
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ATTIRE OF PHILIPPINE NATIVES.

The Santos Bill, which provided that non-Christian inhabitants of the Philippines should be compelled to wear trousers, at least in public, failed to pass the Senate committee to which it was referred reported on it unfavorably, believing that it was an unwarranted interference with the customs of the pagan tribes.

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Snub Pollard is seen at his best in a most laughable comedy "Fellow Citizens" which, together with the British Gazette, completes an excellent programme which will be shown at the Coronet until Sunday next.

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G. R. NOTICE.

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 14th day of March, 1921, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land behind Inland Lots Nos. of 1619 and 1620 Shauiwan Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
The Fifty-second Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned at Noon on Wednesday the 30th instant.
The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 16th to the 30th instant, both days inclusive.
At this Meeting a Resolution will be proposed dealing with the remuneration to the Consulting Committee.
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Hongkong, 10th March, 1921.

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THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on Tuesday 29th. March 1921 at noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st. December 1920.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 19th. to the 29th. March 1921 (both days inclusive).
By Order of the Board of Directors.
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong 7th. March, 1921.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.

The Forty-Third Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on Friday the 18th March at 11 00 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st. December 1920.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 4th to 18th March, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Agents.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1921.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

The Thirty-fifth Yearly General Meeting of the Members of the Hongkong Club, will be held in the Club House on MONDAY, the 14th March, 1921, at 5.30 p.m.
By Order,
A. H. ABBAS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1921.

NOTICE.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the R.N. Hospital until 10 a.m. on the 21st March, 1921, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Poultry, Pork, Bread, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Aerated Waters, Ice, and other provisions, and necessities for the year ending 31st March, 1922.
Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the R.N. Hospital.
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F. DALTON,
Surgeon Captain, R.N.
R. N. Hospital, Hongkong,
10th March, 1921.

NOTICE.

Our Manager, Mr. H. Cayron, being on leave to Paris, we beg to inform our Clients that from this date, Mr. H. Geoffroy will take over the Management of our Branch in Hongkong during Mr. Cayron's absence.
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HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

The following resolution was proposed and passed unanimously at the Meeting of Members held on 2nd March.
"That the Hongkong Gymkhana Club be wound up and that the Hongkong Jockey Club take over all Assets and Liabilities of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club."
A Meeting of Members of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club will be held at the office of the Jockey Club, in Hongkong Club Annex, at 12.50 p.m. on Friday, March 18th for the purpose of confirming the above resolution.

HONGKONG TRAMWAY COMPANY LIMITED.

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Notice is hereby given that the COLONIAL (Hongkong) REGISTER of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, 15th March 1921 to WEDNESDAY, 13th April 1921, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. E. ROBERTS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1921.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO. LTD.

The Twenty-Fourth Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, No. 6 Connaught Road, on Thursday the 24th March 1921, at 11 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December 1920, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Thursday the 17th March 1921 until Thursday the 24th March 1921, both days inclusive.

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NOTICE.

POLO MATCH AND SKITTLE GYMKHANA.

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- Event No. 1. Polo Ball Race in pairs.
2. Ladies' Nomination Race.
3. Pigsticking.
4. Ladies' Nomination Race.
5. Musical Chairs.
6. Artists' Stakes. (Ladies' Nomination).

Entries are free but confined to Members of the Polo Club only, and will be accepted on the ground during the Polo Match. Intending competitors are requested to hand in their entries as early as possible.

S. E. GRIMSTONE,
Hon. Secretary.
HONGKONG POLO CLUB.
Hongkong, 7th March 1921.

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Comra-y's Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, 19th MARCH, 1921, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1920.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from SATURDAY, 12th March, to SATURDAY, 19th March, 1921, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. H. TAGGART,
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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1921.

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A full attendance is essential
W. J. Stokes, Branch Secretary
M.E.G.C.
W. E. Kirby, Asst. Secretary
C.C.O.G.

NOTICE.

We beg to inform the public that the firms of Messrs. Fook Lee & Company and the Hongkong branch of Thomas W. Simmons & Company have been amalgamated and in the future, business will be carried on by THOS. W. SIMMONS & COMPANY LIMITED.

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1921.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

M. J. D. STEPHENS, Solicitor. The Office has been REMOVED to 1st Floor, No. 15, Connaught Road, Central, (beyond the Post Office).
Hongkong, March 1st, 1921.

SATURDAY BANKING HOURS.

By agreement between the Exchange Banks, SATURDAY BANKING in Hongkong, beginning on Saturday the 5th March, 1921, will be as follows:—
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 HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS
 & DAIREN.

The above named Steamer having
 arrived on Friday, the
 11th March, 1921, consignees of
 cargo are hereby notified to pre-
 sent their Bills of Lading for
 countersignature, and take im-
 mediate delivery from alongside
 steamer or the Company's Go-
 down, where all cargo impeding
 immediate discharge will be land-
 ed at consignee's risk.

Storage will be assessed on
 cargo remaining undelivered
 after Friday the 18th March,
 1921.

All broken, chafed and damaged
 packages will be landed into the
 Company's Godowns, where same
 will be examined on Monday
 the 21st March, 1921, at 11 a.m.

No Claims will be recognised
 after the goods have left the
 steamer or Godown, and none
 will be entertained if presented
 later than three weeks after
 arrival of steamer.

No Fire Insurance whatever
 will be effected.

Y. TSUTSUMI,

Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1921.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM

NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Co's Steamer

"AJAX"

are hereby notified that the
 Cargo will be discharged into
 Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it
 will be at Consignee's risk. The
 Cargo will be ready for delivery
 from Godown on and after 11th
 March.

Optional cargo will be landed,
 unless notice has been given
 prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damag-
 ed goods are to be left in the
 Godowns, where they will be
 examined on any Tuesdays and
 Fridays between the hours of
 10.45 a.m. and noon within the
 free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after
 the Goods have left the steamer's
 Godown, and all Goods remaining
 undelivered after the 17th March,
 will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer
 must be presented to the Under-
 signed on or before the 31st
 March, or they will not be
 recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be
 effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1921.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship

"HUNGARIA"

From JAPAN & SHANGHAI.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby
 informed that all goods are
 being landed at their risk into the
 Godowns of the Hongkong and
 Kowloon Wharf and Godown
 Company, Ltd., at Kowloon,
 whence and/or from the wharves
 delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forward-
 ed unless notice to the contrary
 be given before 7th March.

No claims will be admitted
 after the Goods have left the Go-
 downs, and all Goods remaining
 undelivered after the 12th inst.
 will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer
 must be presented to the Under-
 signed on or before the 22nd inst.
 or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damag-
 ed Goods are to be left in the
 Godowns, where they will be ex-
 amined on the 12th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been
 effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-
 signed by

DODWELL & CO. LTD.

Agents.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP

"SAMARANG MARU"

From JAPAN

Consignees of Cargo are hereby
 informed that all Goods are being
 landed at their risk into the Go-
 downs of the Hongkong and Kow-
 loon Wharf and Godown Com-
 pany, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence,
 and/or from the wharves delivery
 may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forward-
 ed unless notice to the contrary
 be given before 10th March.

No claims will be admitted after
 the Goods have left the Godowns,
 and all Goods remaining unde-
 livered after the 16th inst. will be
 subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer
 must be presented to the Under-
 signed on or before the 26th inst.
 or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damag-
 ed Goods are to be left in the Go-
 downs, where they will be exam-
 ined on the 16th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been
 effected.

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 HONGKONG, CHINA & JAPAN.

A PROBLEM

WHAT would you do if you married a missionary, went out to
 Africa with him, tired of the life and came home? Having received
 news that your husband was dead, promptly proceeded to marry
 another man with the same last name.

With this husband you attempt love in a cottage, and finding
 he is not a good provider you threaten to sue him for non-support.
 He disappears, leaving a note of farewell pinned to his coat, which is
 discovered at the edge of the sad sea waves.

Having thus disposed of No. 2, you fall in love again, this time
 with a wealthy clubman, athletically inclined, but of a jealous nature,
 and No. 3 threatens to sue for divorce, after having left you to your
 own devices.

Now, suppose all three husbands should reappear at one time,
 do you think that you would really be a bigamist and what do you
 think you would do? This is the situation in which FRITZI SCHEFF
 finds herself in the title role of "PRETTY MRS. SMITH".

The best method of solving this problem is to—See For Yourself
 How She Does It.

AT THE

HONGKONG THEATRE

TODAY at 5.15 & 9.15 P.M.

NAVAL OFFICERS AT
CAMBRIDGE.Dartmouth and Varsity
Training.

Cambridge University seems to
 be developing into a sort of annex
 of the R.N. College, Dartmouth.
 In token thereof, some 120 young
 naval lieutenants and sub-lieut-
 enants are now going through a
 special post-war course of instruc-
 tion there. The object of this is
 to complete the training which,
 necessities of active service,
 owing to the war interrupted at
 Dartmouth so far as they were
 concerned. This subsidiary course
 commenced last year, and will not
 terminate until the autumn of
 1922.

Although the present scheme
 is regarded as a temporary one

the Admiralty are so favourably
 impressed with the results
 achieved and the advantages of a
 short spell of University life for
 naval officers, that they have
 decided to send another batch to
 Cambridge. This second batch,
 however, will not arrive until
 next year, and it will be compos-
 ed of sub-lieutenants who have al-
 ready put in full time at Dart-
 mouth.

The general idea of the course
 is to give such officers a broader
 and more extended outlook than
 the Dartmouth curriculum (which
 is purely technical) alone can
 furnish. Since it is impossible
 for all sub-lieutenants to proceed
 to the University, the numbers
 selected will be restricted to about
 25 per cent. in each year. As
 time goes on, a considerable
 leavening of naval officers with
 varsity training will thus be

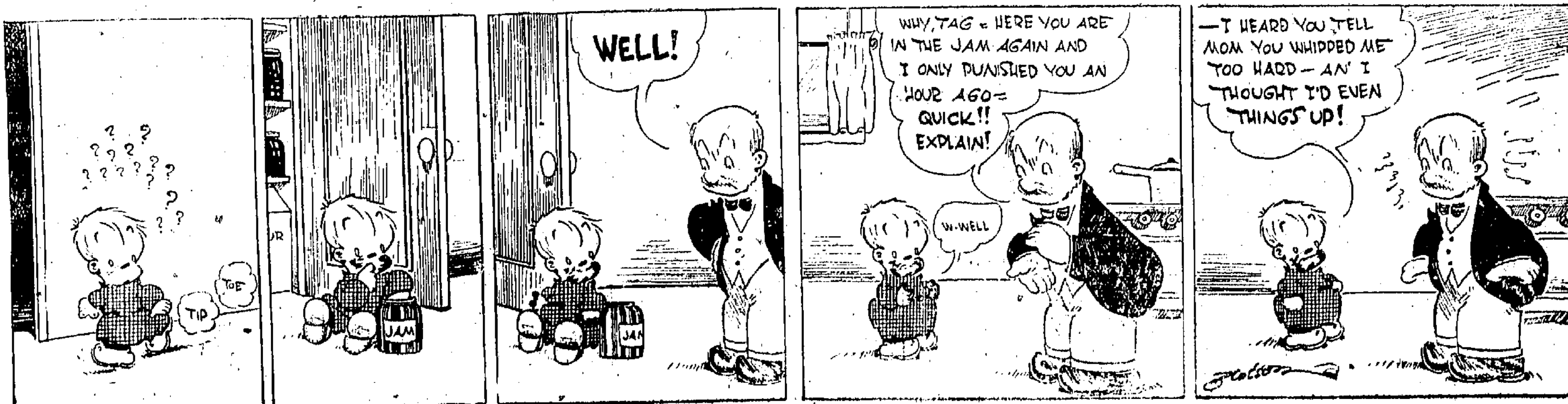
formed, and should have a mark-
 ed influence upon the Service as
 a whole.

The naval staff at Cambridge
 University is a fairly large one.
 It consists of two captains and
 three commanders for executive
 duties, together with instructions
 and representatives of the en-
 gineering, pay, and medical
 branches. Captain Eric Fullerton,
 D.S.O., who has been in charge
 since December 1918, was
 succeeded recently by Captain
 H. Alington, who is accord-
 ingly giving up the com-
 mand of the glorious at Devon-
 port. Captain Alington, whose
 seniority in this rank dates from
 1916, will have serving with him,
 as his second-in-command,
 Captain Alfred Carpenter, V.O.,
 the hero of the Vindictive, and
 his Director of Naval Studies is
 Commander Cummings.

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There shallow draughts intoxicate the brain,
and drinking deeply sobers us again."

POPE.

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HONGKONG AND THE OLYMPIAD.

Yesterday we gave some details of the Far Eastern Olympiad which is to be held in Shanghai during the month of May. These should prove of more than passing interest to Hongkong sportsmen. The Olympiad is apparently to be divided into two sections. First, there are to be the Far Eastern Athletic Games, which will include track events, swimming, lawn tennis and various other games. For this part of the programme, representation of China, Japan and the Philippines is already assured, whilst invitations have been extended to Siam, Malaya, Java, Ceylon and India. Then, later there is to be held an Open International Meet for amateurs, covering practically the same ground as in the Far Eastern programme.

Now, what we are anxious about is that Hongkong should be well represented at the Olympiad. If we recollect aright, at the Olympic Games held in Manila there were a number of sportsmen from this Colony, but they were in no sense fully representative of the prowess of Hongkong in the athletic world. The trouble is that, under existing arrangements, entry is largely left in the hands of particular Clubs or of individuals themselves. What would seem to be needed, therefore, is the formation of an Athletic Association in Hongkong, whose business it would be to see that in such events as this Olympiad the Colony put forward a really strong and representative contingent covering all branches of sport. There is talent of the highest order in Hongkong. Indeed, this Colony has always been noted as a centre of sporting activity, and in most realms it is stronger to-day than ever before. Such an Association should be able to command considerable funds and thus be in a position to help materially in defraying the expenses of competitors proceeding to big athletic gatherings outside the Colony. As things are, these expenses now fall wholly on the shoulders of individuals. But the most important point is that under present conditions there is no guarantee of anything like adequate representation of the Colony at these events. It may be too late for this year's Olympiad to bring such an Association into being, but the idea is worthy of consideration for future occasions of a like nature.

If we could call an Athletic Association into existence within the current year, it might at any rate be possible to arrange for Olympic Games in this Colony in 1922. A stadium would, of course, be necessary, but, happily, we are wonderfully served by nature in this respect. No finer place than Happy Valley could be conceived for the holding of such a gathering. Ample accommodation could be provided there for the competing athletes, whilst arrangements could no doubt be made with the Jockey Club for the use of grandstands for spectators. It only requires organised effort by enthusiastic sportsmen to bring the idea into fruition. We hope they will soon get busy.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

Bank Buildings.

In the demolition of Bank Buildings the majority of residents probably see nothing but the pulling down of an old structure that is rightly giving place to a more modern building. But behind the unsightly array of bamboo matting in Queen's Road there is being pulled down one of the most historically interesting buildings of the Colony—one that 60 years ago housed the most important financial interests of a young but growing community. The exact date of the original building is a little hard to discover, but it was either in 1859 or 1860 that the first structure was erected on that corner. In those early days the Praya was on the site of the present Des Voeux Road and the European commercial interests were mainly housed west of Paddar Street. Two important banks were the first tenants of Bank Buildings, these being the Bank of Agra, and the Bank of India, China and Japan. Some few years later a French Bank—the Comptoir d'Escompte—also took up its residence in the enlarged building. Where the present Pottinger Street joins Queen's Road was situated the Commercial Bank, whilst nearby was the Oriental Bank and the Chartered Bank, the last-named being in premises adjoining the present Central Market. Where the Astor House Hotel now stands was the Central Bank of Western India, and the present International Bank stands on the site of the old Asiatic Bank. It was in the great financial crisis of 1865-1866 (commonly known as the Bombay crisis) that many of these old Banks either succumbed or were absorbed by reorganised institutions, but Bank Buildings did for very many years still constitute the financial centre of the City.

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THE BANVARD COMPANY.

Last Night's Successful Revue.

There was unstinted appreciation accorded to the Banvard Musical Comedy Company last night when, at the Theatre Royal, the revue "Coming Down" was presented. From the opening chorus to the fall of the final curtain there was not a dull moment. The entertainment throughout was bright, humorous and musical and encores were frequently demanded.

Around a thin story the author has woven a very dainty collection of songs and choruses. Miss Isabelle Horley and Miss Viola Williams are talented vocalists and their numbers were extremely popular. Mr. Ian McLean and Mr. Douglas MacLaren were the other principal soloists whilst the chorus was well-balanced. Special mention should be made of Mr. Leonard Neville, who as Fuggins provided most of the humour of the evening. Assisted by Mr. Adrian D. Ross as "Pipps," he kept the audience in almost continuous laughter. All the other members of the cast ably contributed to make the show one of the best ever seen in Hongkong. The dresses and scenery were in every sense artistic.

The revue is being repeated this evening whilst on Monday and Tuesday "Castles in Spain" is being produced.

which we have a record concerns Cyrus W. Field, who cleared a fortune out of paper-making and another out of the Atlantic cable, but lost the bulk of it before he died of shock thirty years ago. It will be curious to hear what applications for membership the newly-founded club receives.

DAY BY DAY.

IF YOU ARE ANNOYED AND WANT TO WRITE AN UNCOMPLIMENTARY LETTER TO ANY ONE, WRITE IT AT NIGHT AND PUT IT UNDER YOUR PILLOW. AFTER THREE DAYS OPEN AND RE-READ IT, AND IF OF THE SAME OPINION TEAR IT UP AND THROW IT IN THE FIRE.—*Ibbot All Shah.*

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HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

(Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for week-ending March 13th, 1896.)

THE DOLLAR.

March 13th.—The rate of the Dollar, on demand, to-day is 2s. 2-3/4d.

A PROCLAMATION.

March 13th.—The following issued as a Proclamation, speaks for itself:—Hongkong is a British possession and with its business, great or small, the Chinese officials have nothing whatever to do, nor are they entitled to come here to make enquiries in reference thereto. This is known to the whole world. At the opening of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce the Colonel in charge of Kowloon came over here to take part in the ceremony. His interference in the sphere of the Hongkong Government was quite improper. I have communicated this matter to the British Consul at Canton requesting him to report it to the Viceroy. I have now received the copy of a dispatch reprimanding the said Colonel, and I now issue this proclamation with the reprimand attached.

AN EXALTED CULPRIT.

Mar. 16th.—Still another Chinese mandarin received a lesson at the Police Court this morning. He was charged with a breach of the Opium Ordinance and when in dock was vastly indignant at being treated as a common person. After receiving a lecture from Mr. T. Sercombe-Smith on the equality of all before the majesty of the law, he had to be forcibly taken from the dock, but when he found that bluster was of no avail he "anted up" his fine, and was released, vowing vengeance as he left the Police Station.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL.

Mar. 17th.—The anniversary of the birthday of Ireland's patron saint was celebrated last night by St. Patrick's Society in a manner befitting the fair fame of the genial and hospitable Saint of whom all Irishmen are so justly proud. St. George's Hall had been selected for the celebration this year and was well-filled with the elite of the Colony.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Japanese Crown Prince's Visit.

March 11.

H. I. H. Prince Kanin honoured H. E. the Governor by dining at Government House on March 10th. The following members of the suite of H. I. H. the Crown Prince of Japan were present: Count Chinda, Vice Admiral Oguri, C.M.C., Lieut. General Nara, Dr. K. Mura, Rear-Admiral Taguchi, Mr. S. Matsui, Capt. Yamamoto, Lieut. Marquis Komatsu, Capt. Oyama, Eng. Capt. Seki, Surg. Capt. Tateno, Capt. Kanna, Col. Fukuda, Mr. S. Sawada, Pay Capt. Hattori, Com. Takenaka, Lieut. Com. Sumiyama, Lieut. Com. Mito, Lieut. Ugaki.

The other guests were: H. E. Major General Sir George Kirkpatrick, K.C.B., K.C.S.I., His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz, Rt. Rev. Bishop Pozzoni, Rt. Rev. Bishop of Victoria, Commodore Bowden Smith, C.B.E., Hon. Mr. C. Severn, C.M.G., L.D.S., Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C., C.B.E., Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, O.B.E., Hon. S. B. C. Ross, Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins, Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., O.B.E., His Honour Mr. Justice Wood, Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Hon. Mr. Lau Chi Pak, Hon. Mr. Ho Fook, Hon. Mr. J. Johnstone, Mr. Suzuki, Captain James, C.B., Captain Ballard, Captain A. Lambert, Captain F. A. Sommerville, D.S.O., Eng. Captain W. A. Dathan, Surg. Captain F. J. A. Dalton, C.M.G., Colonel J. R. Young, Colonel L. Humphry, C.M.G., Mr. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., Lieut. Colonel J. R. Wyndham, Lieut. Colonel W. Loring, C.M.G., D.S.O., Lieut. Colonel W. N. Nicholson, C.M.G., D.S.O., Mr. S. Yasuda, Mr. Tada, Pay. Lieut. Com. E. H. Stern, Capt. Betts, Capt. Fisher, M.C.

This morning (March 11th) H. I. H. the Crown Prince of Japan and staff, accompanied by His Excellency the Governor and staff, motored via Aberdeen to Tytan Reservoir and then went on board H. M. S. Curlew for lunch. H. I. H. returned to Hongkong on board H. M. S. Curlew at 2 p.m.

ROBBIE'S RUMINATIONS

Being Extracts from Home Letters to his Nephew.

No, I'll admit right away that I never was strong on resolutions. Letterwriting is like taking physical exercise, it's no the start but the upkeep that's the trouble. It's like going to Church of a Sunday morning. We know that for the sake of the weans and the respect due to the neighbours and the locality, we should lay aside the *Times Supplement* and struggle wif our better selves and into our Sabbath duds and squeaky boots and get on wif it. But we never seem to have the time. We can aye find time enough to go to the Races or the Club for a quiet game of poker, or to see the Banvards, but when it comes to clearing the wife's fashion papers and domestic ecstasies from off the parlour table and getting down to it wif a quarto sheet pad so that the old folks at home may at least know we are alive and that wee Jeannie's skinning fine after the scarlet fever—well it seems to be quite a different thing altogether. Mind ye, it's no just a lack of interest, it's—well we seem to have so much to do, as it were. Aye, maybe that sounds a bit lame but ye'll just have to take it as it stands and let it go at that. Oh! I'll keep my word, never ye fear about that but it'll have to be in my own time and no back chat from ye in the matter either.

New Year resolutions are all very well in their way but let me tell ye it's easier to wink at one's own faults than to fight them off.

—Conscience says: "But ye promised faithfully to do such and such a thing."

The man answers: "Oh! well what's the difference?" And straightaway another contract wif conscience is left hanging in mid air.

The trouble is, the average resolution is a sort of secret treaty. If our resolutions were open covenants, openly arrived at, a lot more of them would be kept. Preachers may rave indefinitely and knock the binding loose on a perfectly good bible but resolution remains for all that the most perishable flower of human character.

But by the Almighty Hokey Fly there was one resolution I kept last year. It never got a chance to get mouldy, for I kept it well aired the whole time. Mind ye, I never was given much to throwing out a challenge to myself. True, I've aye done my best, but let me tell ye that when it comes to reconstructing character and reputation at my time of life—well it's a pretty tough job even if ye do get a nice clean diary and a New Testament in your stocking of a Christmas morning. Janet, I go so far as to say, doesn't pay much attention to the fine things I'm due in my imagination to carry out, but last year there was one resolution on the keeping of which we joined forces. Wif right hand uplifted we resolved to be out of the Old Country before the year was out, aye even if some booking clerks' wife had to suddenly become a widow in the process.

Wif fares as they were we figured out that we might have to buy the best part of a boat; we were prepared to bribe every one in a uniform or even wif a printed hat band between Scotland and Blake Pier; Janet was willing and ready to put up wif travelling companions of every smell and colour; even to smile sweetly and associate wif Auld Nick himself if need be; we were resigned to the idea of jettisoning for ever what little self-respect remained after a year at home but we were GOING even if I had to go before the mast as a binacle polisher and Janet article as a beeftea carrier. No dorkie ever craved harder for his Dixieland than we did for the rickshaws and gin-fizzes, long chairs and longer drinks and the amahs and clubs of Hongkong.

And we're here once more, our account wif conscience balanced and found correct but—well—er, there's worse places than the Old Country after all, mind ye.

Aye Janet was bad, right enough. For the first week she stuck to her cabin, her berth and her wee brass box like a cockle-burr to your best Sunday trousers. Aye, seasickness is the devil and all, especially just after Christmas time. When it comes to losing your last meal it's bad enough, but whap! it's a case of losing one's self-respect into the bargain, no woman cares to take the risk.

So she stuck to her bed, the stowaways, dry toast and stale air. Of course I did my best—at times, but that is the worst of a ship. Ye canna get away from yourself let alone your wife, no even long enough at any-rate to make a few shillings at ha' penny nap. That first week was very trying. Torn between the desire to be sympathetic and the knowledge that good money was going abegging in the smoke-room aft it was a pretty hard job to be impartial. It's no every day, ye see, that a chap gets the chance to keep even wif his bar o'bits. Besides, after a man's been married close on forty years, the hidden forces of nature cease to attract. Mind ye, that applies in more ways than one if ye take time to think it out—but—ah! well for the moment I'm talking of Mother-sill's and the phenomena of the great and aching void which, like the water spout and the wandered whale is particularly observable at sea. Mind ye, I'm no' what ye would say unsympathetic, for, in my day, I've added my quota to the things which go down to the sea from ships. I have as well shared the strong man's confidences concerning the string-tied greasy bit of pork and can join in the fellow feeling which condemns such trifling wif our stomachs at such times as our world for the moment is on an uneven keel. Even yet I detest the sight of the emug, open-grinned face at meals in a deserted dining saloon and for that reason always try to cultivate a just-cruified expression for the benefit of those whose chief anxiety at the moment it is to overcome nature and the natural desire to rush to the bathroom. A strong stomach doosna' aye make for lots of grey matter topside. Very often is the opposite the case. I'd rather be a genius suffering animal-like, alone in my cabin for a week than be the Champion Dough Nut Eater of the State of Ohio for a year.

I've often wondered how it was that so many things positively asking to be found out have been given a miss by folks who apparently have nothing else to do. True we have learned people who are at present dedicating themselves to the great work of exploring the mysteries of nature, human and otherwise. How many of them though, have hit on one that would be really interesting to less serious minded mortals? It doosna' interest me a bit to know how rats behave under the influence of bananas or whatever else was the diet chosen by the scientist who experimented upon them.

Fancy wasting time on a thing like that when he might have been doing work of real value to humanity? finding out say, why some people are condemned to go straight-haired through life while others curl beautifully from birth? And whether something could not be done about it in view of the time and money wasted in vain attempts to achieve a lasting hair wave?

Glands and ghosts are also always interesting and subjects of research. So too, are cures. Think then of the tremendous boon that will be conferred upon seaskick humanity if they could only find out why our stomachs slip their moorings at the first whiff of the engineroom and the pantry. That those who go down to the sea in ships should be able to keep inside their berths and outside their dinners without an effort on their own parts to preserve the equilibrium of themselves or their food is one of the most comforting thoughts that travellers could find to reflect upon in a world where fares are doubled and comforts are halved.

I don't know the medical name for sea-sickness but it wants looking into for all that. When ye come to think of it, it's our stomach more than the water that puts the distance between us and the folks at Home.

C.R.A. IN NEW ROLE.

Concerned over Colony's Rubbish.

The fact that the Constitutional Reform Association has received a rebuff, in that its proposals for the reforming of the Legislature have been turned down, is apparently resulting in the Association seeing the wisdom of devoting its attention to other labours. The agenda for next Tuesday's meeting of the Sanitary Board contains the following item:—"Letter from the Constitutional Reform Association of Hongkong regarding the removal of rubbish in the Colony."

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SHIPPING NOTES.

(By "Neptune.")

The shipping depression is world-wide to-day. Not only are coastal steamers being laid up, but even some of the bigger boats. This paper announced during the week that the C.P.O.S. Methven has been constrained to be laid up. The s.s. Methven is a big steamer on the regular run to Vancouver. There is no cargo offering and so much competition with the United States Shipping Board vessels and other vessels. Even the U.S.S.B. vessels are sometimes going empty from here and many of them with only 400 to 500 tons cargo. It will interest my readers to learn that there is a proposal to convert the Methven into an oil carrier for the British Navy. At least there is a strong rumour to this effect. The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company is now going into the question of costs of converting her. If it goes through it will mean a big profit for the Dock Company. The Hong Wan I and the Hong Moh owners are in the market to time-charter or purchase suitable vessels for their trade.

I understand that the Hai-ching is withdrawing from her regular coastal run and going on a trip to Singapore to take the place of the ill-fated Hong Moh. The Inniminka, which came in yesterday from Saigon with a large cargo of rice, is being diverted as well, by arrangement with the Saigon charterers, to Amoy and Singapore, for one trip, instead of going direct to Saigon, because there is a strong demand from Amoy for passenger accommodation to Singapore. The Hong Wan I and the Hong Moh used to take 1,500 to 1,800 passengers per trip from Amoy to Singapore. These were mostly Chinese labourers. Apparently the favourable exchange is serving as an inducement for these Chinese from Amoy to go to Singapore to work on the rubber estate although trade is very bad there at present.

Mr. H. J. Smith read an interesting paper recently before

the Institution of Mechanical Engineers on the mechanical loading of ships in which he gave a detailed description of a very large shipbuilding plant erected by him in various parts of the world. The loading of ships has always been a laborious job, and one feels instinctively that it is work that human beings should not be called upon to undertake if it is at all possible to substitute mechanical means. It is also work which is paid for at the cheapest rate, but mechanical loading as applied to material like coal, etc. has now been so far perfected that Chinese engineers have found it cheaper than even the cheapest coolie labour in China.

A new packing and grouping system has been inaugurated by two large London firms. These firms receive and pack goods from various supplying houses and then group and ship them to their various destinations, goods for each destination being included on one bill of lading, the net effect of which is to reduce freight charges to overseas importers materially. It has already been found that large economies can be effected under this system.

From the first of this month the China Navigation, the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company and other large Shipping companies operating on the China Coast have discontinued the ten per cent. reduction on the ordinary passenger fares hitherto allowed to missionaries.

Contrary to expectations the rice market has gone up on account of the strong demand from Canton, Swatow and Amoy. During the last three or four days the market price has risen 30 cents per picul. About three to four thousand tons of rice have been sold to South Africa and about 2,000 tons to the Persian Gulf. The market is steady. The freight market is steady, the Saigon-Hongkong rate still remaining at 23 cents. There is not much demand. The Saigon people have already taken sufficient boats for their requirements. The Bangkok merchants have chartered too many Japanese

tonnage and they have tried without success to cancel all their fixtures, owing to the drop in Exchange which does not pay them to ship rice here. The Bangkok millers are overburdened with the amount of tonnage chartered for loading after the Chinese New Year, and they are experiencing great difficulty in securing cargoes for the many steamers which arrive in Bangkok. Consequently several large boats are calling here from Bangkok with part cargoes on board. News comes as well of several of the older N.Y.K. vessels being laid up, while half of the United States Shipping Board ships are now tied up.

A GERMAN ON THE DEFENCE OF TSINGTAO.

How The Japanese and British Captured it.

The defence of Tsingtao in the autumn of 1914 is not a glorious episode in the German annals. Though a modern fortress carefully elaborated in peace-time, with ferro-concrete shelters and magazines, which, as Admiral Vollerthun boasts in a narrative he has lately written, successfully resisted the heaviest Japanese artillery (11in. howitzers and 12in. naval guns) and though possessing an armament at least equal in range and superior in number to that of the attackers, it capitulated after a shorter bombardment than that endured by Liege, Maubeuge, or Antwerp, and of exactly the same length as that of the ancient fortresses of Longwy and Verdun. Yet these French and Belgian fortresses had no cover to resist the Austro-German artillery, not even one shell-proof casement for the general in command, and no guns that could reach the besiegers' batteries and knock them out, or bring down the observation balloons, as did the Tsingtao artillery.

The author of this history of the defence was present as a captain throughout the siege, acting as Chief Intelligence Officer; and as his book has only just been published, though the preface is dated October 1, 1919, he must have heard of the bombardments in Europe; yet he holds up the garrison of Tsingtao as heroes for German admiration, and on their behalf he incites his fellow-countrymen to demand the return of "this colony, the pride and darling of the German people. And the many millions—they were 200—which were thrown into it and promised to bear rich fruit." With the archives of the fortress at his disposal, helped out by his diaries and those of other officers, he has produced a very complete account of investment, siege and surrender, with plans of the defences, details of the measures taken after declaration of war to improve them with the assistance of the abundant Chinese labour available, and the usual orders of battle, lists of batteries, casualties, etc. He mentions a Japanese official account in four volumes, some figures from which he quotes.

THE DEFENCES.

Briefly, the defences consisted of two advanced lines across the peninsula, from the sea to the inner harbour, twelve and six miles from the town respectively. "Originally rapidly dug fire-trenches, they had been developed into strong field defences with wire entanglements, minefields, dummy positions and batteries." These, it may at once be stated, the Germans abandoned almost without firing a shot, and with a loss of under a hundred men, 50 of whom were taken prisoner. Behind the outer defences was a line of permanent infantry redoubts (of the type recommended by Lord Sydenham in his "Fortification") with shell-proof casements. They were low of profile, well assimilated to the ground; each had its own wire entanglement below surface level, connected to a continuous "belt" right across the peninsula, here not quite 3½ miles wide. Defending the intervals, and forming a second line behind the redoubts, were rows of concrete "pill-boxes," strong points, machine-gun nests and close defence batteries. On the hills behind, again, were scattered 41 batteries, including two only available, seawards, mounting in all—excluding the lighter natures—94 guns and howitzers from 11in. downwards. They had shell-proof magazines and most of them shell-proof cover for the gun crews. The Japanese and the small British contingent—consisting of the 2nd Battalion of the South Wales Borderers and

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WHY THE GARRISON SURRENDERED.

The author, in the course of the book, makes many excuses for the failure to do better. He says, speaking of the fortifications, that "they were designed only as a defence, against European Powers and Chinese trouble," and that the redoubts were of a weak type, for they lacked "good deep ditches with concrete scarps." (In this most soldiers will agree with him.) Then he claims that ammunition was scanty—but the figures that he himself gives disprove this; and that the garrison—3,700 officers and men—was insufficient, although it possessed plenty of machine guns; he does not count the numerous civilian reserve, nor the thousands of Chinese employed; he complains, however, that these latter auxiliaries acted as guides to the enemy and even marked the situation of the land mines by white stones. The real reason for the rapid surrender appears to have been that the Governor feared the general wiping out of the greater part of the Germans who understood the China Trade; for they were collected in Tsingtao, and such an intolerable loss to Kultur was not to be thought of. Doubtless his nerves were affected by the sight of the three enormous pits made ready for their bodies by his energetic Adjutant, alongside his and the author's favourite promenade.

Admiral Vollerthun was bitterly disappointed in the Japanese—a people who, since Shimono-

seki, owe to Germany nearly everything they possess in the way of progress in the European sense." He says, with reference to the Japanese ultimatum to Germany—which was couched in exactly the same terms as the German one to Japan demanding the evacuation of Port Arthur 20 years before—"could the honour of a nation be trodden under foot in a more brutal manner?" Like some other German officers whose books have lately been published, he accuses his successful adversaries of having been drunk, both the Japanese who assaulted the redoubts and the British who took over prisoners. But the strangest exhibition of German mentality is contained in the following passage which refers to the capture of a ship which tried to run the blockade, carrying women, children and property, in the hope of reaching Shanghai:

The poor-creatures were exposed to a veritable netherworld. That the steamer was sighted at dusk by British torpedo-destroyers and taken into Weihaiwei regardless of its cargo and destination was not all; on the voyage nothing was omitted that would keep the poor things in alarm and terror. The destroyers, according to the statements of the passengers and crew, had evidently determined to practice the attack on the defenceless steamer, and one of them took position to ram it. Although nothing happened one may imagine the excitement among the highly-strung mass of humanity. This plaint comes from a member of a navy whose U-boats sank passenger steamer and hospital ships without warning!

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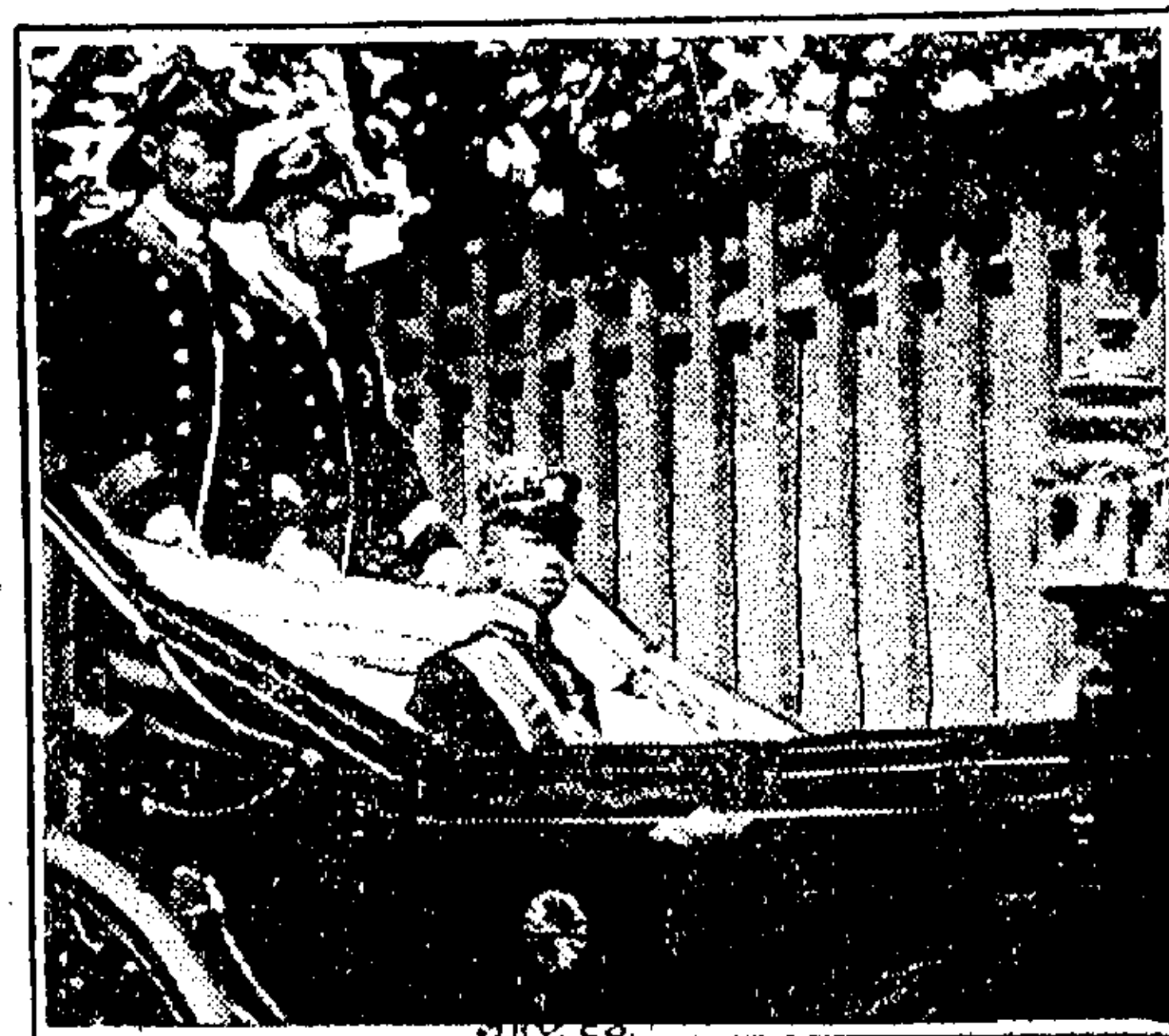


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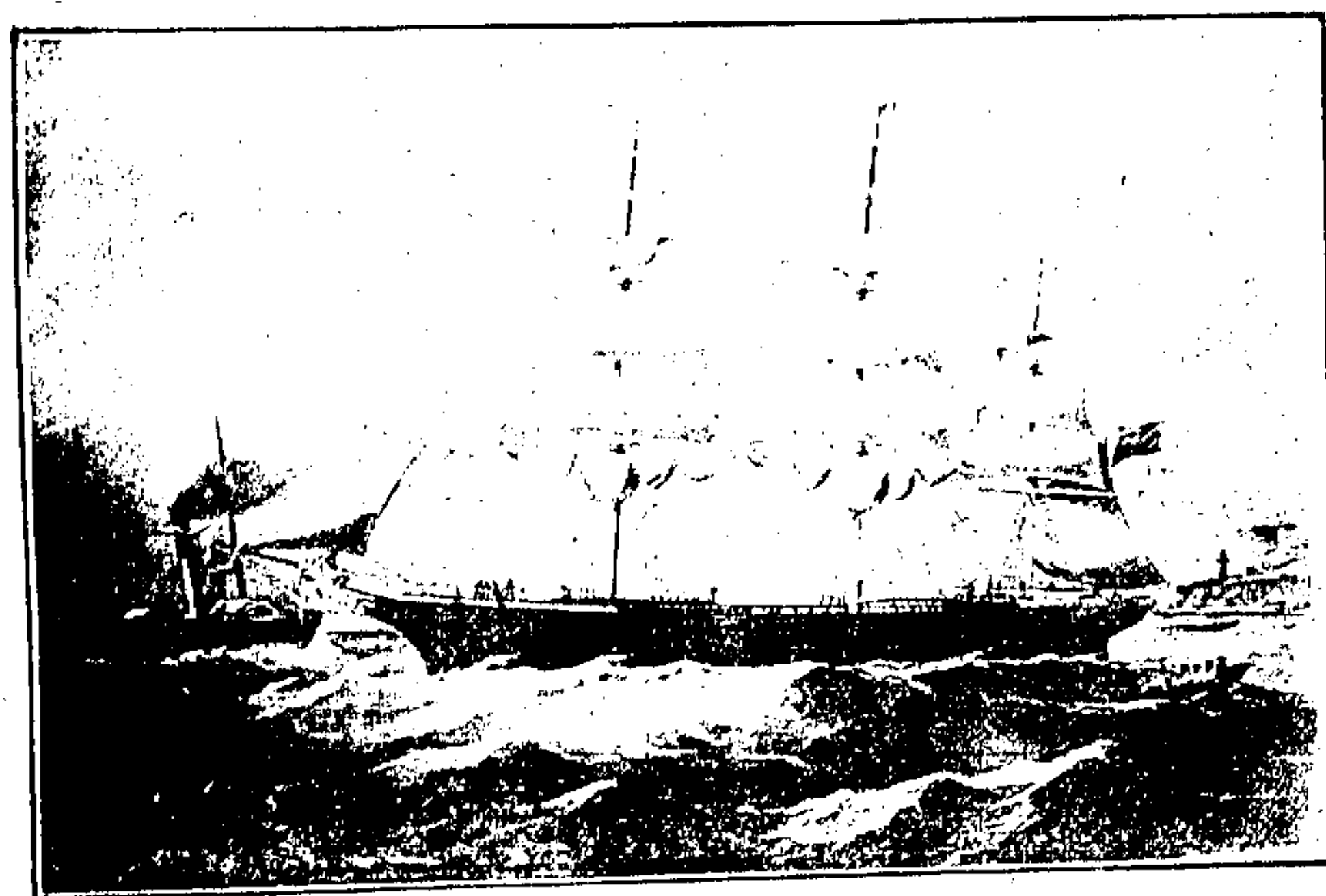


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Group of Bishops of the Missions Etrangères now visiting Hongkong.



The Crown Prince of Japan, now on a visit to Hongkong, riding in his State coach in Tokyo.



The White Star clipper "Centurion," referred to in an article which we printed on the 24th ult., casting off the tow-boat at Sidney Head on her maiden voyage in 1869, close to the place where she was lost in 1887.



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Group taken at wedding of Mr. Carl Bunje and Miss L. L. da Silva.

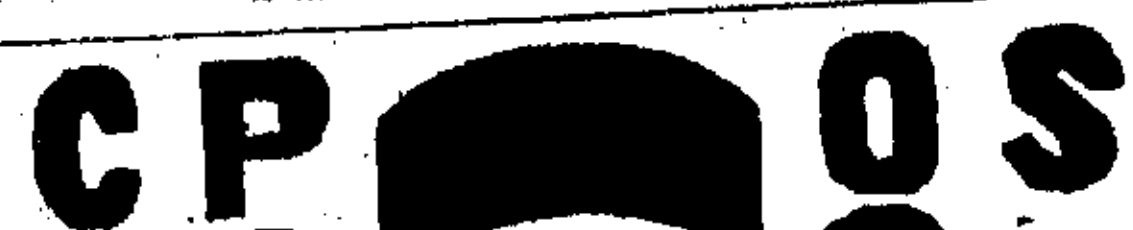


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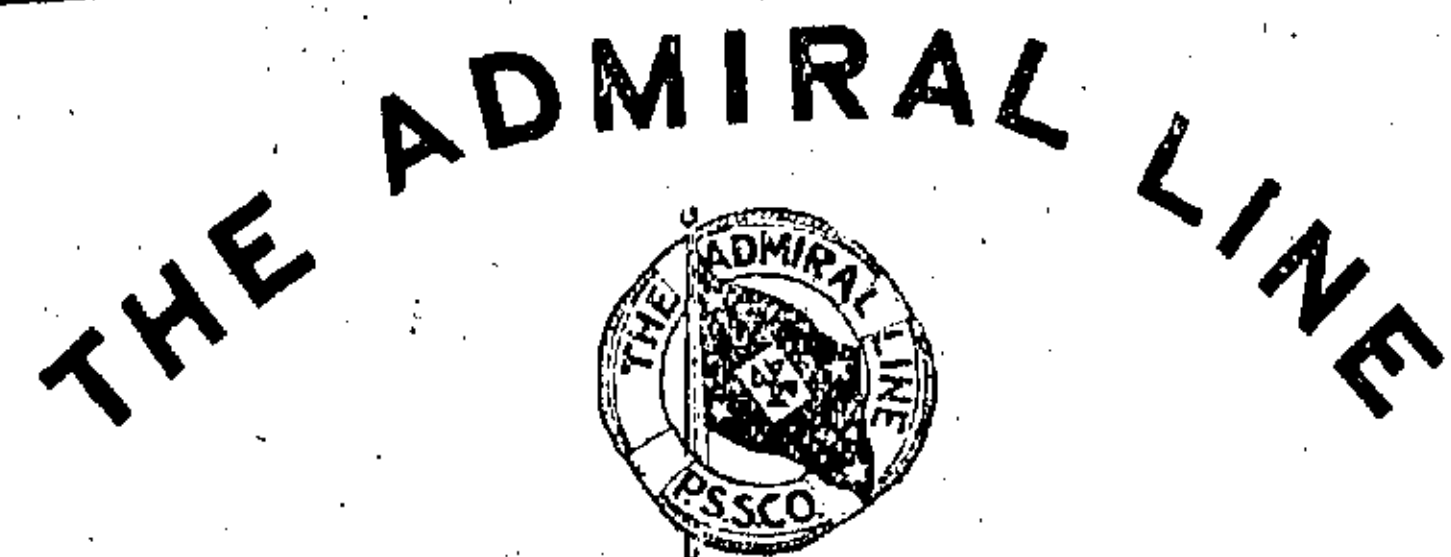
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Alloway	A. L.	Mar. 15
West Jappa	F. W. Co.	Mar. 15
Korea M.	T. K. K.	Mar. 15
Lake Onawa	A. L.	Mar. 15
Keemun	B. & S.	Mar. 16
Talamon	B. L.	Mar. 16
Taiyuan	B. & S.	Mar. 16
Bessie D.	R. D. Co.	Mar. 16
Mishima M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 18
Karmala	P. & O.	Mar. 19
Siberia M.	T. K. K.	Mar. 19
W. Henshaw	B. & S.	Mar. 19
Laertes	B. L.	Mar. 22
Akita M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 22
E. of Japan	C. P. O. S.	Mar. 22
Mito M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 24
Kashmir	P. & O.	Mar. 25
Glenapp	J. M. Co.	Mar. 25
Eurana	S. & D.	Mar. 26
Tjikembang	J. C. J. L.	Mar. 27
Crosskeys	A. L.	Mar. 27
Tango	N. Y. K.	Mar. 28
W. Ivis	S. & D.	Mar. 28
Nanking	C. M. Co.	Mar. 30
E. of Asia	C. P. O. S.	Mar. 31
Sado	N. Y. K.	Apr. 1
Nankin	P. & O.	Apr. 3
West Hika	A. L.	Apr. 3
Tenyo M.	N. Y. K.	Apr. 3
Vigb	B. L.	Apr. 4
Ningchow	B. & S.	Apr. 5
Eastern	P. & O.	Apr. 5
Cadaretta	A. L.	Apr. 5
Tyndareus	B. & S.	Apr. 6
Kandahar	B. L.	Apr. 6
Monteagle	C. P. O. S.	Apr. 7
Hayo M.	T. K. K.	Apr. 9
Alderamin	J. C. J. L.	Apr. 10
Theseus	B. & S.	Apr. 12
Glymont	A. L.	Apr. 15
Kitano M.	N. Y. K.	Apr. 15
Idomeneus	B. & S.	Apr. 17
Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	Apr. 19
Swazi	B. L.	Apr. 19
Ajax	B. & S.	Apr. 19
Atrous	B. & S.	Apr. 19
Kashima M.	N. Y. K.	Apr. 20

Japan, Coast Ports, Etc.

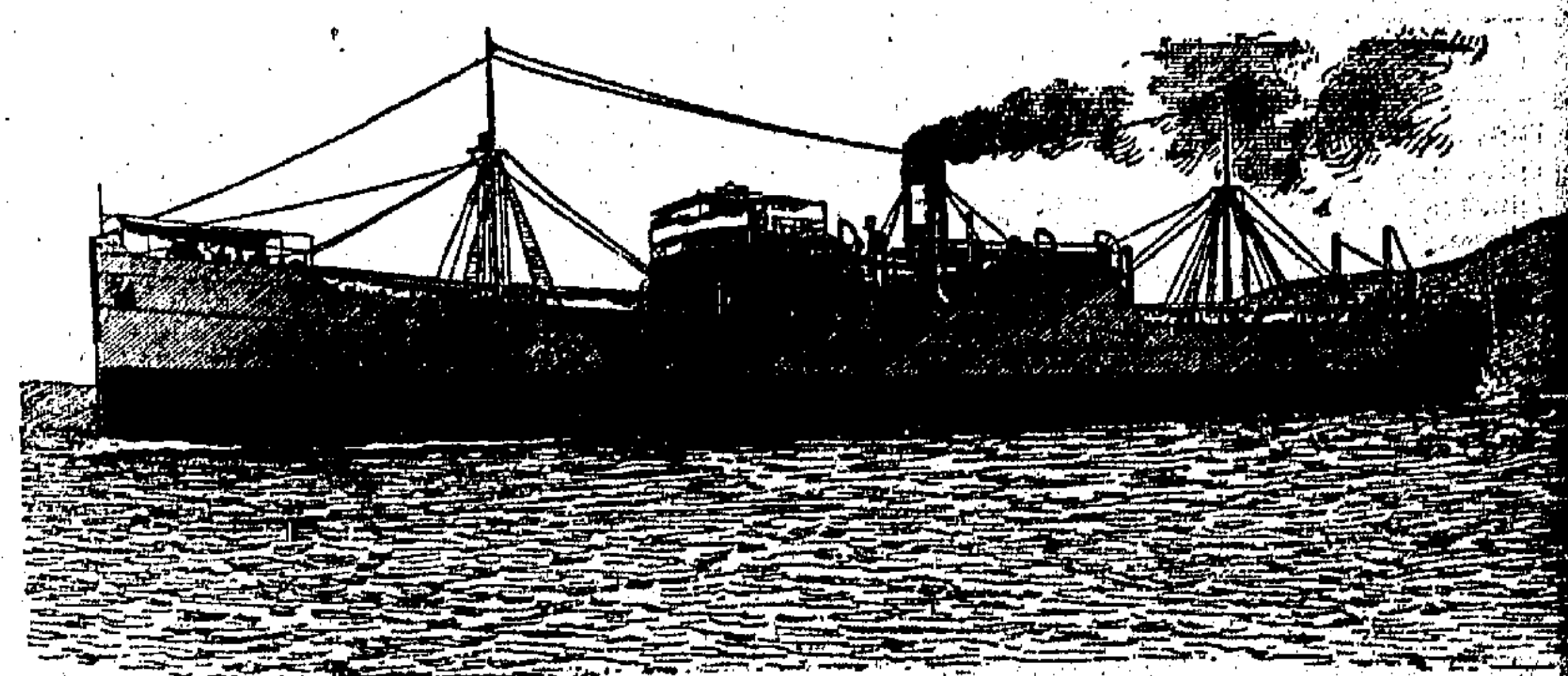
Samayang M.	D. & Co.	Mar. 12
Hanyang	J. M. Co.	Mar. 12
Suiyang	B. & S.	Mar. 13
Nankin	P. & O.	Mar. 13
G. Apcar	P. & O.	Mar. 13
Tjiliwong	J. C. J. L.	Mar. 14
Khyber	P. & O.	Mar. 14
Heijn M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 15
Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 15
Haihong	D. L. Co.	Mar. 15
Szechuen	B. & S.	Mar. 15
Kueichow	B. & S.	Mar. 15
Luchow	B. & S.	Mar. 15
Takesang	J. M. Co.	Mar. 16
Tungshing	J. M. Co.	Mar. 16
Yatshing	J. M. Co.	Mar. 16
Bombay M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 17
Hangsang	J. M. Co.	Mar. 17
Soochow	B. & S.	Mar. 17
Inaba M.	N. K. Y.	Mar. 18
Namsang	J. M. Co.	Mar. 18
Kaifong	B. & S.	Mar. 18
Cheongshing	J. M. Co.	Mar. 18
Loongsang	J. M. Co.	Mar. 18
Haiching	D. L. Co.	Mar. 19
Chenan	B. & S.	Mar. 19
Tjitaroen	J. C. J. L.	Mar. 20
Coaxet	A. L.	Mar. 21
Nagato M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 21
Muroran M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 22
Tjibolas	J. C. J. L.	Mar. 24
Borneo M.	D. & Co.	Mar. 24
Caleutta M.	N. Y. K.	Mar. 26
Tjileboet	J. C. J. L.	Mar. 26
Macassar D. & Co.		Mar. 28
Tjiki	J. C. J. L.	Mar. 29

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KARMALA	9,000	19th Mar.	M'les, London & Antwerp.
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ARRATOONA	4,510	17th Mar.	Calcutta via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
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EASTERN	4,000	5th Apr.	Melbourne via Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane and Sydney.
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KUSHI MARU (Omitting Manila) Tuesday, 31st May at 11 a.m.
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MISHIMA MARU	Friday, 18th Mar., at 11 a.m.
SADO MARU	Friday, 1st April, at 11 a.m.
KIYANO MARU	Friday, 15th April, at 11 a.m.
HAMBURG, AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ROTTERDAM.	
MITO MARU	Thursday, 22nd March.
LIVERPOOL & MARSEILLES via Suez.	

MELBOURNE & SYDNEY via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Townsville & Brisbane.

TANGO MARU	Monday, 28th Mar., at 11 a.m.
NIKKO MARU	Tuesday, 19th Apr., at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK via Suez. Tuesday, 22nd March.

AKITA MARU Tuesday, 22nd March.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.

WAKASA MARU (Sailing from Singapore) Friday, 29th April.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO via Singapore.

BOMBAY MARU Thursday, 17th March.

CALCUTTA MARU Saturday, 25th March.

CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.

MURORAN MARU Tuesday, 22nd March.

JAPAN PORTS - Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.

SIKKO MARU Tuesday, 15th Mar., at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

HEIJIN MARU Tuesday, 15th March.

INABA MARU Friday, 18th March, at 11 a.m.

NAGATO MARU Monday, 21st March.

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Tjibong	Shanghai	in port	14th Mar.	Java
Tjitarom	Java	in port	20th Mar.	Japan
Tjibodas	Java	18th Mar.	24th Mar.	Shanghai
Tjibodas	Japan	22nd Mar.	26th Mar.	Java
Tjikini	Shanghai	27th Mar.	29th Mar.	Java

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TAIYUAN	13th March.	16th March.

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"GLENIFFER"	18th April.
"GLENLYLE"	28th April.

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Vessel.	Leaves Hongkong.	Discharges.
"GLENARIFFE"	30th Mar.	GENOA, LONDON & ROTTERDAM.
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Destination	Steamer	Sailing
SHANGHAI	Tungshing	Wed. 16th Mar. at d'light.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Takshang	Wed. 16th Mar. at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Yatsing	Wed. 16th Mar. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI & Tsingtau	Hangsang	Thur. 17th Mar. at d'light.
KOBE via Shanghai	Cheongshing	Fri. 18th Mar. at d'light.
TIENTSIN	Cheongshing	Fri. 18th Mar. at d'light.
MANILA	Loongsang	Fri. 18th Mar. at 3 p.m.

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For	Steamers	To Sail.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Suiyang	12th Mar. at d'light.
TIENTSIN	Kueichow	15th Mar. at d'light.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Luchow	15th Mar. at 10 a.m.
AMOY, SHAI & PUKOW	Szechuen	15th Mar. at noon.
SHANGHAI	Soochow	17th Mar. at noon.
H'HOW, P'HOI & H'PHONG	Kailong	18th Mar. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Chenan	19th Mar. at noon.

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Haihong	W. C. Passmore	TUES. 15th Mar. at noon.
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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The N. Y. K. s.s. HEIJIN M. (Calcutta Line) left London for this port via Rangoon and Singapore, on the 22nd February and is expected here on the 14th March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAMO M. (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 19th Feb. and is expected here on the 30th March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. INABA MARU (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 5th February and is expected here on the 17th March.

The s.s. ELPENOR (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez on 24th inst. for Hongkong and is due here on 20th Prox.

The s.s. EGREMONT CASTLE sailed from Kobe via ports on the 2nd March and is expected to arrive here on or about 16th inst.

The B. L. s.s. SATSUMA is due to arrive here from Shanghai on or about March 15th.

The B. L. s.s. ALLOWAY is due to arrive here from New York on or about March 20th.

The A. L. s.s. GLENTON, is due to arrive here from Saigon on or about March 15th.

The A. L. s.s. LAKEONAWA is due to arrive here from Saigon on or about March 25th.

The N. Y. K. s.s. NIKKO M. (Australian Line) left Thursday Island for this port via Manila on the 3rd March and is expected here on the 14th March.

The s.s. KHYBER left Singapore for this Port on the 8th inst. at 2 p.m. and is due here on the 13th instant at about 6 a.m.

The s.s. IDOMENEUS (Blue Funnel Line) left Singapore on 8th inst. for Hongkong and is due here on 13th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. BOMBAY M. (Bombay Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji on the 8th March and is expected here on the 16th March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. MISHIMA M. (European Line) left 8th March for this port via Moji and Shanghai and is expected here on the 17th March.

The T. K. K. s.s. TENYO M. arrived at Yokohama on the 9th instant and sails 11th instant, being due at Hongkong on the 20th instant.

The s.s. ANTILOCHUS (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez on 4th inst. for Hongkong and is due here on 24th inst.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF JAPAN arrived at Yokohama on 9th Mar. at 2.30 p.m. left there 9th Mar. at midnight and is due at Hongkong on 17th Mar. at 7 a.m.

The R. M. S. MONTEAGLE arrived at Shanghai on 9th Mar. left there 11th Mar. and is due at Hongkong on 14th March.

The s.s. KEEMUN (Blue Funnel Line) left Yokohama on 10th inst. for London, Amsterdam, & Hamburg via Hongkong. Vessel is due here on 15th inst. and will sail, as above, on 16th inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. PERSIA M. arrived at Yokohama on the 9th instant and sails 11th instant for Honolulu and San Francisco.

WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on Mar. 1, 1921.
CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1920.	1921.
Tytam	13.2 Below overflow	20.2 Below overflow
Tytam	26.2 Below overflow	25.5 Below overflow
Bywash	11.5 Below overflow	6.5 Below overflow
Tytam Inter.	11.2 Below overflow	11.2 Below overflow
Tytam Tuk	32.9 Below overflow	32.9 Below overflow
Wong-chai	34.6 Below overflow	27.3 Below overflow
Chau-chai	17.1 Below overflow	20.4 Below overflow
Pokfulam		

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

	1920.	1921.
Tytam	222.24	235.22
Tytam Bywash	141.56	6.32
Tytam Intermediate	743.25	1,158.59
Tytam Tuk	2.18	5.45
Pokfulam	25.35	21.66

Total 1,198.02 1,428.97

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of Feb.

	1920.	1921.
Consumption	180.20	186.61 M. gal.
Estimated population	278,100	281,700
Consumption per head per day	22.3	24.9 Gallons
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4 m/s	2/3 1/2
10 d/s	2/3 1/2
40 d/s	2/3 1/2
T/T Shanghai	Nom.
T/T Singapore	96
T/T Japan	89 1/2
T/T India	174
Demand, India	—
T/T San Francisco	43 1/2
& New York	—
T/T Java	126
T/T Marks	Nom.
T/T Francs	5.95
Demand, Paris	—

BUYING.

4 m/s. L/C	2/4 1/2
4 m/s. D/P	2/5
4 m/s. L/O	2/5 1/2
30 d/s. Sydney and	2/6 1/2
Melbourne	—
30 d/s. San Francisco	45 1/2
& New York	—
4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. Francs	6.55
4 m/s. Francs	6.75
Demand, Germany	—
Demand, New York	43 1/2
T/T Bombay	Nom.
Demand, Bombay	174
T/T Calcutta	Nom.
Demand, Calcutta	174
On Yokohama	89 1/2
Demand, Manila	99
Demand, Singapore	96
On Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	—
On Bangkok	94
Sovereign	Nom. 8.70
Gold leaf per Tael	52.60
Bar Silver, ready	31 1/2
forward	31
Bank of England rates 7%	—
New York/London	3.90 1/4

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Hong 50 cts. pieces	1/10% dis.
10	par.
5	1% dis.
Centen subunits	16.4% dis.
Hongkong Mar. 12, 1921.	—

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Europe via Suez (Letters and
Newspapers London 10th
Feb. Parcels 25th Jan.)—Per
IDOMENEUS, 13th Mar.
Europe via Suez (Newspapers
only London 18th Feb.)—Per
KHYBER, 13th Mar.
U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai—Per
MONTEAGLE, 14th Mar.
Australia & Manila—Per NIKKO
M., 14th Mar.
Straits & Calcutta—Per HOIJUN
M., 14th Mar.
Shanghai—Per KWANGSE, 14th
Mar.
Japan—Per BOMBAY M., 16th
Mar.
Japan & Shanghai—Per MIS-
HIMA M., 17th Mar.
Straits—Per INABA M., 17th
Mar.

OUTWARD MAILS.

To-morrow.

Samshui and Wuchow—Per
KWONG HUNG, 10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Keelung
—Per AMAKUSA M., 9
a.m.
*Swatow *Amoy & *Takao—Per
SOSHU M., 9 a.m.
*Straits, *Bangkok, *Ceylon,
*Mauritius, *L. Marques, *S.
Africa, *India via Dhanush-
kodi, & Bombay—Per
SIAM M., 9 a.m.
Monday, 14th Mar.
Java Port via Batavia—Per
TJILIWONG, 10 a.m.
Straits and Bangkok—Per
SUI SANG, 3 p.m.

Swatow—Per HYDRANGEA,
3.30 p.m.
Japan—Per TOYO M., 4 p.m.
Chefoo—Per HOIHOW, 5 p.m.
Shanghai North China & Japan
—Per KHYBER, 8.30 a.m.
Hilo—Per HANGCHOW, 2 p.m.
Tientsin—Per KUEI CHOW, 5
p.m.
Shanghai, N. China & Japan—
Per KHYBER, 9 a.m.

Tuesday, 15th Mar.

Philippine Islands—Per TJIMA-
NOCK, 10 a.m.
*Shanghai & N. China—Per
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*S. America, & *Europe via
San Francisco—Per ANYO
M., Reg. 9.15 a.m. Letters
10 a.m.
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States, *C. & *S. America
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LUCHOW, 9 a.m.
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Per HAIHONG, 11 a.m.
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Honolulu, Canada, United
States, Central & South
America & *Europe via
San Francisco—Per KOREA
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10.30 a.m.

Wednesday, 16th Mar.

Straits, Bangkok, Calcutta, &
Aden—Per YAT SHING, 2
p.m.
Hohow and Haiphong—Per
TAK SANG, 9 a.m.
Shanghai & N. China—Per
HANG SANG, 5 p.m.

Thursday, 17th Mar.

Wei Hai Wei & Tientsin—Per
HUI CHOW, 2 p.m.
Shanghai & N. China—Per
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Per KALFONG, 9 a.m.
Shanghai, N. China & Japan
—Per INABA M., 9.30 a.m.
Straits, *Bangkok, *Ceylon,
*Mauritius, *L. Marques, *S.
Africa, *India via Dhanush-
kodi, Egypt & Europe via
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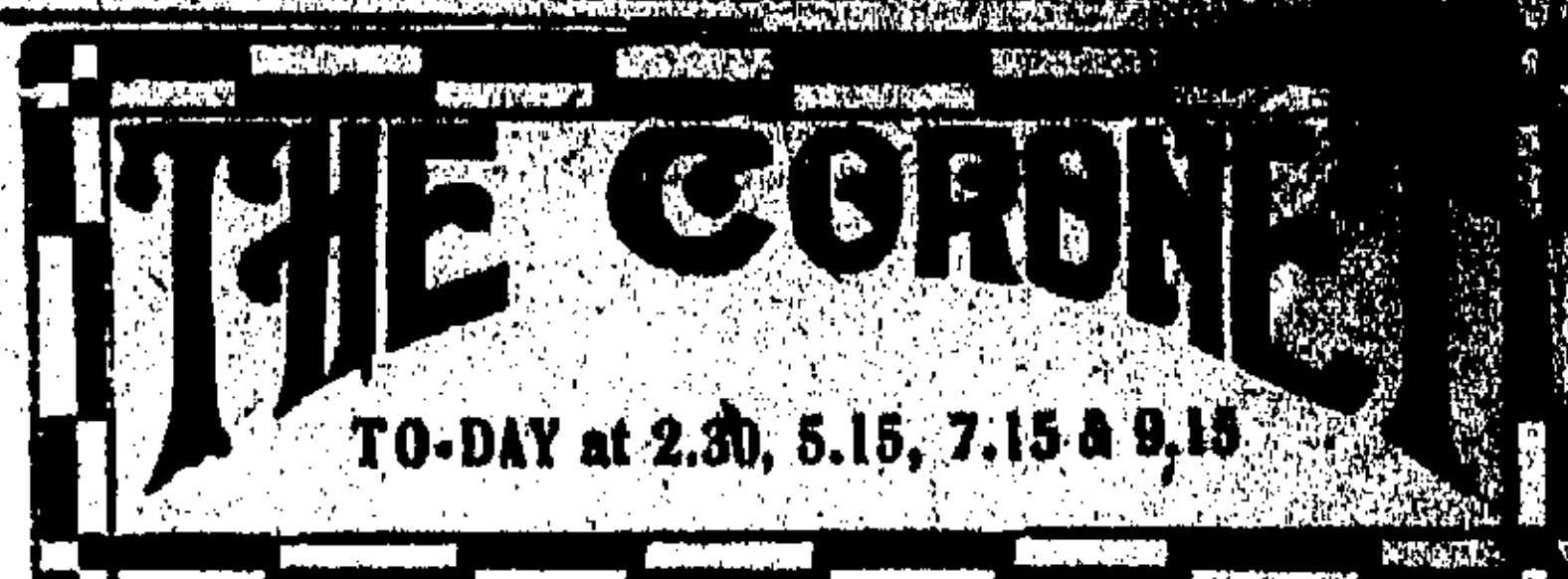
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Day	High Water	Low Water	Day	High Water	Low Water
Mar.	Mean Time	Mean Time	Mar.	Mean Time	Mean Time
Mon. 7	8 11	4 48	Mon. 13	8 11	4 48
Tues. 8	8 11	4 48	Tues. 14	8 11	4 48
Wed. 9	8 11	4 48	Wed. 15	8 11	4 48
Thur. 10	8 11	4 48	Thur. 16	8 11	4 48
Fri. 11	8 11	4 48	Fri. 17	8 11	4 48
Sat. 12	8 11	4 48	Sat. 18	8 11	4 48
Sun. 13	8 11	4 48	Sun. 19	8 11	4 48

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Yangtze b. 24
Far Eastern b. 1.20

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China Fire b. 125
H.K. Fire b. 320

Shipping.

Douglases b. 66
H.K. Steamboats b. 25
Indos (Pref.) b. 25
Indo Def. Lon/Reg. b. 275
Indo Def. H.K. Reg. b. 260
Shells b. 105 1/2
Ferries b. 28 1/2

Refineries.

Sugars b. 279
Malabons b. 55

Mining.

Kailans n. 90
Langkats n. 1.14 1/2
Shanghai Loans n. 1.14 1/2
Shai Explorations n. 70 o/s
Raub n. 23 1/2
Trenohs n. 12 1/2
Ural Caspians n. 12 1/2

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &
H.K. Wharves b. 83 1/2
K. Docks b. & sa. 180
Shai Docks b. 132
N. Engineerings n. 30 1/2

Lands, Hotels & Buildings.

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H.K. Hotels n. 180
H.K. Lands sa. 150
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Do. new b. 1.04
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Steel Foundries n. 10
Water-works b. 15 1/2 sa. 15 1/2
Watsons b. 7 1/2
Wm. Fowells b. 20
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Hongkong, Mar. 12, 1921.